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Division Chiefs, D/GC, D/CG, D/GL, D/GP

21 March 1958

SA to Ch/G/RR

OTR Area Training Conference

1. On Wednesday, March 26, OTR will hold a conference to consider the adequacy of the present training programs on Communism and the Communist-dominated areas. The objective is to test current training programs against the needs and requirements of Agency components and to explore the possibilities of expanding or revising the programs to make them more effective.
2. It is requested that you review the presently-available training in these two subjects as it relates to the needs of your division and to the Agency, and make comment under the following headings:
 - a. In what ways are the present programs effective, in what ways ineffective?
 - b. What new directions should be explored?
3. The aim is to settle more clearly the direction and goals of Agency training in Communism and Communist-dominated areas rather than to discuss training methods or techniques as such. For instance, should there be certain specialized topical or areal seminars?
4. A listing of the courses presently offered is attached. Please return your comments to OCh/G/RR by C.O.B., Tuesday, 25 March 1958.

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Attachment: As stated above.

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